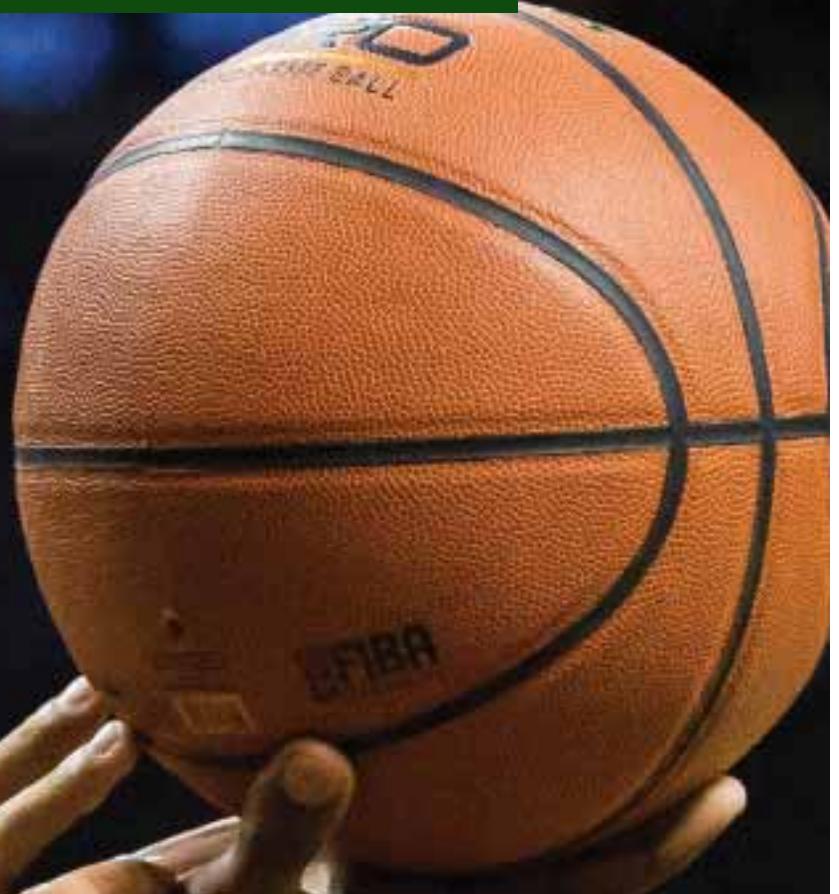


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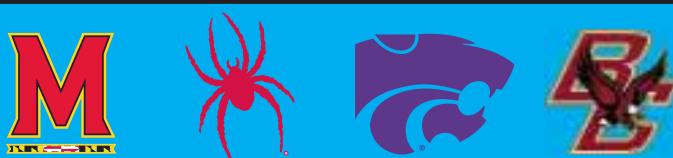
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US SPY CHIEF SAYS HE'S SUBMITTED LETTER OF RESIGNATION

Director of National Intelligence James Clapper announced his resignation and said it "felt pretty good" to step down, ending a six-year tenure as the top U.S. spy that included a sometimes rocky relationship with Congress. Clapper, 75, a retired three-star U.S. Air Force general, will stay on until Democratic President Barack Obama leaves office in January. He has said for months he intended to leave when Obama departed and his replacement will be chosen by Republican President-elect Donald Trump. Clapper's formal letter of resignation was issued in response to a White House request that all Obama administration political appointees submit resignations effective at noon on Jan. 20, a representative for the Office of the Director of National Intelligence said. [REUTERS](#)



DAKOTA ACCESS PIPELINE TO BE COMPLETED DESPITE PROTESTS

The company behind the controversial Dakota Access crude pipeline will seek to complete the project even if protests against its construction continue, its chief executive told the PBS NewsHour television news program. "This is not a peaceful protest," said Kelcy Warren of Energy Transfer Partners. "If they want to stick around and continue to do what they're doing, great, but we're building the pipeline." Dakota Access, halted by the federal government in September after protests, has drawn opposition from the Native American Standing Rock Sioux tribe and environmentalists who say it could pollute water supplies and destroy sacred historic tribal sites. Demonstrators fanned out across North America on Tuesday to demand that the U.S. government either halts or reroutes the pipeline, while Energy Transfer asked a federal court for permission to complete it. [REUTERS](#)

SOURCE: AOL TO CUT 500 JOBS, MOSTLY IN CORPORATE UNITS

Verizon Communications Inc.'s AOL digital media unit will lay off 5 percent of its workforce, or about 500 people, to consolidate operations after recent acquisitions, a person familiar with the situation said on Thursday. Most of the cuts will be in corporate units, including human resources, finance, marketing and communications, while resources will be shifted to AOL's mobile, video and data businesses, the source said. Chief Executive Officer Tim Armstrong informed employees about the cuts in an email on Thursday morning. [REUTERS](#)



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Gov. Andrew Cuomo and Mayor Bill de Blasio. [GETTY IMAGES](#)

Second Avenue subway's December deadline imperiled; Cuomo throws fit

Testing is underway as workers complete infrastructure, a source said.



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By the end of 2016, subway riders will be able to travel the Q and T trains up and down Second Avenue. But when the sun rises on Jan. 1, not everything on the line, which has been in the works since 2007 and cost \$4.5 billion, will be polished and punctual. Some of the station stops won't open and there is no telling when they will.

The Metropolitan Transit Authority maintains that the major work to be done is primarily the rigorous testing required to open the stations and trains to the public.

"There's been no change in terms of when it's expected to open, MTA representative Beth

De Falco told Metro. "Everything is still on target. What's to be finished now is testing, running test trains, communications systems testing, fire testing."

Although a newsletter provided to community members states that the project is "98 percent complete," people close to the ground-work told Metro that there is a lot more than safety testing to fit into the last six weeks of 2016. The biggest thing is that an important station stop, 72nd Street, isn't at all on schedule and that contractors there are not even attempting to hit the deadline.

"The elevators and escalators at 72nd Street are in bad shape," a person close to the project said.

There will be no 72nd Street stop when the line opens because of the many things that still need to be finished there. It will be a "by-

pass station."

The source said contractors aren't to blame for the delays. Work could have been finished six months ago if city transit authorities hadn't continually changed the plans, revising and correcting their mistakes.

They'll be working around the clock, including on Thanksgiving and Christmas, to keep the government's promise to New Yorkers to complete the project on deadline, he said.

More frustrated than the contractors is perhaps Gov. Andrew Cuomo, who has been doggedly pursuing the deadline set in 2009.

When the project broke ground in 2007, the deadline was set for 2013, and then 2014. In 2008, they pushed it to 2015, and then in 2009 pushed it to its current due date.

"Two weeks ago Cuomo came in and threw a fit. He was not happy.

He threw his hard hat down and stormed off," said the source, who added that he wonders if the governor cares about the workers' safety.

Even at the on-target stations at 86th and 96th streets, major infrastructure is still being worked out. Elevator shafts and escalators are just being installed now.

And the above-ground buildings that lead to the platforms will not be done at all by opening day, said Claudia Wilson, MTA community liaison.

Wilson also said that much of the street work will not be complete either. Tree plantings, bus shelters, benches and street lights will almost certainly not be in place.

Another construction worker said that he doesn't know how it will get done. "It will be a miracle. I always say, we'll be screwing in the last screw when the first swiper comes through."

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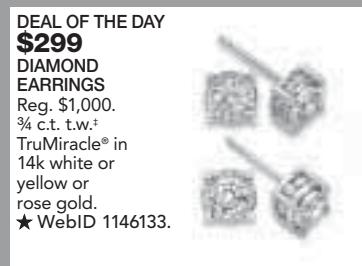
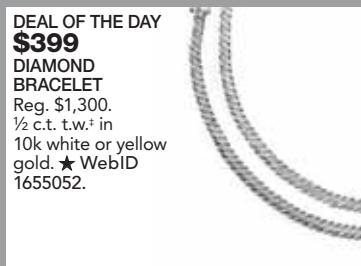
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Two charged in grisly fatal stabbing of Connecticut man at Manhattan high-rise

NYPD officials say Joseph Comunale was stabbed 15 times following an argument, and his body dumped in a suitcase.

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New York police on Thursday charged two people in the killing of a 26-year-old Connecticut man whose body was found with 15 stab wounds and hidden inside a suitcase, according to reports.

The arrests came a day after the body of the victim, Joseph Comunale, was discovered, the suitcase buried in a shallow grave in New Jersey. He had last been seen alive Saturday night, entering a Manhattan high-rise apartment.

James Rackover, 25, and Lawrence Dilione, 28, are charged with second-degree murder, concealment of a



Joseph Comunale was called "Joey" by family and friends. JOEY.COMUNALE/FACEBOOK

human corpse and tampering with physical evidence.

Dilione, owner and operator of Shore Point Roofing Co., according to his LinkedIn profile, is also charged

with hindering prosecution.

Comunale went to a party at The Grand Sutton at 418 E. 59th St., with two men and three women he met at a nightclub that eve-

ning, according to reports. Rackover lives in the building, authorities said.

At some point, an argument broke out in the fourth-floor apartment, and police said

Comunale was stabbed repeatedly in the chest.

Comunale's father reported his son missing on Monday.

NYPD Chief of Detectives Robert Boyce said the suspects attempted

to burn the body, and added that gasoline was found at the scene, ABC7 reported.

NYPD said evidence of foul play was discovered at the Upper East Side apartment.

"We have blood on clothing and there appears to be bleach on that clothing as well, to cover up the blood," Boyce said, ABC7 reported.

Rackover is the son of jeweler Jeffrey Rackover, whose clients have included Oprah Winfrey, Jennifer Lopez and soon-to-be-first lady Melania Trump, according to New York Daily News.

A spokesman for Jeffrey Rackover told ABC7 that James is not his biological son but that the older man took him in "and treated him like a son to try to keep him out of trouble."

Jeffrey Rackover, who also lives in the building, has hired an attorney for James Rackover, according to reports.

BRIEFS

Schneiderman issues bulletin on hate crime

New York State Attorney General Eric Schneiderman is requesting that law enforcement agencies statewide be vigilant about identifying and reporting possible hate crimes.

Surrounded by civil rights advocates Thursday in Manhattan, Schneiderman said he sent a bulletin to local district attorneys and police chiefs to remind them of state bias crime statutes and the need to report violations.

The bulletin offers guidance in identifying, investigating and prosecuting hate crimes against immigrants, minorities and people of various sexual and gender identities.

The attorney general met with leaders of the immigrant community earlier in the day to discuss concerns about the increase in hate crimes and harassment.

"As the state's top law enforcement officer, let me assure anyone who is feeling scared or threatened that this office stands behind you and has your back," he said.

Hundreds of hate crimes have been reported since Donald Trump's election as president.

Cheapest alternatives to NYC public transit

On the heels of another announced fare hike the MTA says will take effect in March, it's a good time to become familiar with some other affordable and more comfortable ways to get around New York City.

Taxi and ride-sharing services are no longer for the privileged and lazy.

Uber, Lyft, Gett and Via car-summoning apps are competing with each other and driving down prices.

Other forms of transportation like Citi Bikes can let you breeze through traffic jams in good weather. Just be sure to wear a helmet.

On Wednesday, the MTA announced it would raise fares again, as it has planned every other year since 2009. The price for a bus or subway ride will jump from \$2.75 to \$3.

New York's mass transit service is pricier than most other big cities.

it costs \$2.25 to ride the subway in Chicago, and if you are eligible for reduced fare, it costs \$1.10.

However, a MetroCard single-ride reduced fare in New York for seniors is \$1.35 and a 30-day MetroCard costs \$116.50.

In Los Angeles, a bus ride is \$1.75, and \$2.50 for rail, along with deep discounts of 75 percent for reduced fares. A 30-day transit pass in LA is \$75.

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costs \$12 and generally suits the tourist or that person in a major hurry. But if you are planning on hitting up multiple locations, it can still be cost effective. Making five trips a day will cost you \$2.40 per trip.

UberPool – UberPool already eases the financial burden with its fare-splitting model. Going from Columbus

Circle on West 59th Street to Washington Heights in northern Manhattan will cost only \$11 if you're pooling. That's far less than it would cost in a yellow cab, but still more than a subway ride.

The pooling service also charges \$5 per ride to anywhere in Manhattan if you get picked up below 125th Street, during morning and

evening peak times, from 7 a.m. to 10 a.m., and 5 to 8 p.m.

For anyone with an American Express card, Uber offers for the rest of 2016 up to \$170 in ride credit from major NYC-area airports like Newark Liberty, JFK and LaGuardia.

Gett – Its Gett Together service offers a ride-sharing model that costs \$3 per ride, on specified routes throughout Manhattan at any time of day, with no surge pricing.

Your own bike: By far the most economical and reliable method of transport through New York City is using your own bicycle. Spend whatever you want on the bike but don't skimp on the lock or else you'll have to call one of the above car services. Or you could just take the train or the bus. AMANDA MIKELBERG

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Charter school chief Eva Moskowitz won't take job as Trump's education secretary

Success Academy's CEO said she's focused on expanding her network of schools.

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Charter school champion Eva Moskowitz declared Thursday that she has no interest in serving as education secretary in a Donald Trump administration.

Moskowitz, CEO of Success Academy, was mentioned as a candidate for the cabinet post by Trump's transition team early in the week and fueled speculation by meeting Wednesday with the president-elect at Trump Tower.

However, she said at an unrelated rally Thursday outside City Hall that she intends to remain the head of Success Academy, which operates 41 charter schools in the city.

"At this time, I will not be entertaining any prospective opportunities," she said. "I believe I can best serve our country's children by continuing to expand



Eva Moskowitz GETTY IMAGES

Success Academy, developing best educational practices that can be used around the country."

Moskowitz, a Democrat who once represented Manhattan's East Side on the City

Council, told news reporters that she voted for Hillary Clinton and is disappointed with the outcome of the election.

Trump has adopted a pro-charter school position. During his campaign, he called for

investing \$20 billion in school-of-choice programs. But he has also expressed opposition to the Common Core State Standards and Moskowitz supports the standards.

The rally outside City

Hall on Thursday was yet another demonstration against Mayor Bill de Blasio, whom Moskowitz has accused of blocking her schools from expanding into under-utilized buildings. Moskowitz and the mayor have often clashed on charter school issues.

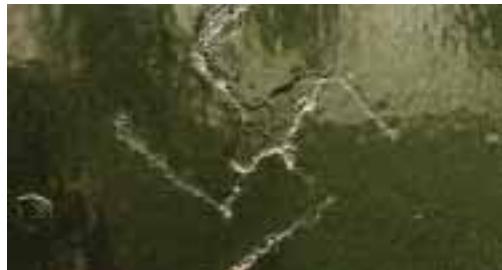
Political observers have mentioned Moskowitz as a potential mayoral candidate to run against de Blasio next year. She denied that she plans to oppose him next year.

Two swastikas carved at Greenwich Village apartment building of Jewish state legislator

Days after swastikas were scrawled on several doors at The New School dormitories, two more anti-Semitic markings were discovered in the nearby apartment building of a Jewish New York state senator.

A neighbor of Democratic Sen. Brad Hoylman found the markings on a metal service door in the Fifth Avenue building near Washington Square Park.

"This comes three days after swastikas were drawn on the doors of nearby students at The New School," Hoylman wrote on Facebook with a picture of one of the swastikas. "Meanwhile, Stephen Bannon, an anti-Semitic, white national-



One of the etchings found in the senator's apartment building. SEN. BRAD HOYLMAN/FACEBOOK

ist has been named as the senior strategist to President-elect Donald J. Trump. Connect the dots."

Bannon is a former executive of right-wing news organization Breitbart News, which has backed white nationalist ideas. As part of a divorce proceeding in 2007, his

wife accused Bannon of having made previous anti-Semitic remarks.

Hoylman lives in the Fifth Avenue building with his husband and daughter, but told the New York Daily News that he did not feel that the markings targeted him specifically.

because more than 100 other tenants also live there.

"This is obviously something that hits close to home, I think, for many New Yorkers," he said. "It's a frightening thought that this is the new normal. We cannot accept that, as a city or a state."

The NYPD Hate Crime Unit is investigating, but it is unknown when the markings were carved, police said. They were later covered with paint.

A new report from the Southern Poverty Law Center found that there have been 15 reported hate incidents in New York state since Trump was elected president last week. NIKKI M. MASCALI

BRIEFS

Despite 2020 speculation, Cuomo wants third term

Though Republican President-elect Donald Trump's term won't begin for another 64 days, rumors are already circulating about possible Democratic candidates for 2020.

Among names like Sens. Elizabeth Warren of Massachusetts, Sherrod Brown of Ohio and Cory Booker of New Jersey, who keep popping up on various blogs and news outlets, is New York Gov. Andrew Cuomo.

For now, the two-term governor intends to "be the best governor" he can, he told the news media Tuesday, and will seek re-election in 2018.

Citing such projects as the LaGuardia Airport renovation and the new Tappan Zee Bridge construction, Cuomo said, "We have a lot of good stuff going on. ... I want to finish doing

what I told the people of this state I was going to do. So I plan to run for re-election, and that's it."

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Designer diss: Sophie Theallet says she will not dress FLOTUS Melania Trump

Theallet, who has dressed FLOTUS Michelle Obama for the past eight years, wrote that she is aware delving into politics isn't always wise, but as an immigrant she has "been blessed to pursue [her] dreams."



Sophie Theallet GETTY IMAGES

with the next first lady. The rhetoric of racism, sexism, and xenophobia unleashed by her husband's presidential campaign are incompatible with the shared values we live by," she wrote. "I encourage my fellow designers to do the same."

A spokeswoman for Melania Trump did not respond immediately for a request for comment, according to The Los Angeles Times.

Trump reportedly purchased her pre-election night dresses online or in New York City boutiques, donning Lauren, Gucci, Fendi, Dolce & Gabbana and Michael Kors. KIMBERLY M. AQUILINA

In a letter posted to social media on Thursday, designer Sophie Theallet said she will not dress incoming first lady Melania Trump and she's asking other designers

to follow suit.

"As one who celebrates and strives for diversity, individual freedom and respect for all lifestyles, I will not participate in dressing or associating in any way

Source: Trump may discuss secretary of state job with critic Romney

U.S. President-elect Donald Trump planned a Saturday meeting with Mitt Romney, the 2012 Republican presidential nominee and fierce Trump critic, and may discuss whether he should be a candidate for secretary of state, a source familiar with the meeting said on Thursday.

Trump already has a lengthy list of potential candidates for the post of top U.S. diplomat, including former New York Mayor Rudy Giuliani, former U.S. Ambassador to the United Nations John Bolton, U.S. Senator Bob Corker of Tennessee, and South Carolina Governor Nikki Haley, who met Trump on Thursday.

Trump, a former reality TV star, has shown a flair for the dramatic in his deliberations over his Cabinet, saying only he knows who "the finalists" are.

Corker told CNN on Wednesday he was "in the mix" for the position but that Trump might pick someone who was closer to him during the presidential campaign. He met on Thursday in Washington with Vice President-elect Mike Pence.

Trump's expected meeting with Romney amounts to an olive branch of sorts to one of his sharpest critics. Romney, who in a speech in March called Trump "a phony, a fraud," urged Republicans to vote for anyone but the New York real estate magnate while the party was picking its presidential nominee.

Trump, in turn, used harsh rhetoric at times during his campaign to dismiss Romney as a failure who blew a chance in 2012 to defeat Democratic President Barack Obama, whom



Mitt Romney GETTY IMAGES
Trump felt was a weak opponent.

The source told Reuters that a broad discussion was expected during the meeting and that discussion about the secretary of state position was possible. The source had said earlier his understanding was that the meeting would occur on Sunday.

Asked about the meeting, Trump senior adviser Kellyanne Conway suggested it was still being arranged. "We're working on it," she said. REUTERS



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BRIEF

Missouri agrees to pay \$9 million in drowning death of handcuffed man

Missouri has agreed to pay \$9 million to the family of a man who drowned in 2014 when he was ejected from a boat while handcuffed and in a state trooper's custody, an attorney for the family said on Thursday.

Arizona State University sophomore Brandon Ellingson, 20, was vacationing with his family in Missouri when he was ar-

rested by Highway Patrol Trooper Anthony Piercy for boating while intoxicated.

Ellingson, who was originally from Iowa, was leaving a restaurant-bar with seven friends en route to his parent's lake house on May 31 when he was taken into custody.

Piercy brought Ellingson onto his patrol boat, handcuffed him, and pulled a lifejacket over his head. But the lifejacket came off when Ellingson fell into Lake of

the Ozarks, said Matt Boles, an attorney who represented the family.

Piercy attempted to rescue Ellingson after he fell overboard but was unsuccessful. Ellingson's body was retrieved the next morning.

A representative for the state's attorney general's office, which represents state employees including state troopers in civil matters, declined to comment on the settlement.

Boles said Piercy was not properly trained and was traveling at speeds as high as 46 miles per hour with Ellingson in the boat. The settlement, which Boles said he expects to be finalized in the coming days, is the best outcome the family could expect.

"This family, Craig and Sherry Ellingson, have never really been about the money. But in civil litigation, especially wrongful death, you can't bring people back from the dead," he said. **REUTERS**



Preet Bharara speaks at a news conference where it was announced that two former pharmaceutical executives are facing federal criminal charges over a fraud and kickback scheme. **GETTY IMAGES**

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Ex-Valeant executive, ex-pharmacy CEO charged for fraud scheme

Federal prosecutors

in Manhattan accused Gary Tanner, a former Valeant director, of secretly working with former Philidor Chief Executive Officer Andrew Davenport to promote the specialty pharmacy's business within the Canadian drugmaker.

A former Valeant Pharmaceuticals International Inc executive and the former CEO of mail order pharmacy Philidor Rx Services were arrested on Thursday on charges that they engaged in a multimillion-dollar fraud and kickback scheme.

The scheme culminated in Valeant agreeing to pay \$100 million for the right to buy now-defunct Philidor, resulting in Davenport earning \$40 million, \$10 million of which he covertly kicked back to Tanner, prosecutors said.

The charges came amid what prosecutors said was an ongoing probe of Laval, Quebec-based Valeant, which has been the subject of a number of recent investigations related to its ties to Philidor and its accounting treatment for sales by specialty pharmacies.

and Commission.

The Federal Bureau of Investigation arrested Tanner, 39, and Davenport, 48, on Thursday morning at their residences in Arizona and Pennsylvania, respectively, authorities said.

Valeant said in a statement that Tanner no longer works for the company and that the charges included allegations that the defendants defrauded the drugmaker. It said it is cooperating with authorities.

Tanner's attorney, Howard Shapiro, in a statement said he planned to prove his client's innocence at trial, saying that he had "been charged with a crime for doing his job." A lawyer for Davenport did not respond to requests for comment.

The development is the latest to hit Valeant, whose stock has plunged more than 90 percent since August 2015 amid intense criticism of its drug pricing and business practices and various investigations.

Valeant, whose biggest investor is Bill Ackman's Pershing Square Capital Management, has disclosed it received subpoenas seeking information related to its ties to Philidor and its accounting treatment for sales by specialty pharmacies.

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Man killed in boiling Yellowstone pool was looking for hot soak

A 23-year-old man who was scalded to death after falling into a boiling Yellowstone National Park hot spring in June was trying to test the temperature of the bubbling pool for a soak when he slipped in, according to a report on the incident.

Colin Nathaniel Scott was seen by his sister, Sable, plunging into the hot spring near Pork Chop Geyser on June 7. His body was never recovered and according to the U.S. Department of the Interior report, likely dissolved in the highly acidic, 212 degrees Fahrenheit water.

The department's 60-page report, first made public this week following a Freedom of Information Act request by local Montana television station KULR, says that the brother and sister had left the park boardwalk and entered a dangerous area marked by warning signs.

"There's a closure in place to keep people from doing that for their own safety and also to protect the resources because they are very fragile," Lorant Veress, a deputy park ranger, told KULR. "But, most importantly for the safety of people, because it's a very unforgiving environment."

Veress told KULR that Colin and Sable Scott were "specifically moving in that area for a place that they could

potentially get into and soak. I think they call it Hot Potting."

The report describes the accident in grim detail, saying that Sable Scott had been videotaping the hike and recorded her brother's death. The videotape was not included in the report and sections describing its contents were redacted.

But rangers and other law enforcement personnel who responded to the scene after Sable Scott sought help described seeing her brother's head and upper torso briefly floating face up in the hot spring, a crucifix around his neck.

Only his wallet and orange-and-black flip flops, one of them badly melted, were later found. A photo of the scene shows one of the shoes at the edge of the murky pool as steam rises from its surface.

Each year some four million people visit Yellowstone, the first national park established in the United States. It encompasses some 3,500 square miles across Wyoming, Idaho and Montana.

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Michigan board recommends universal lead screening for infants

Infants and toddlers in Michigan should undergo mandatory lead screening, a panel of experts said on Thursday, as the Midwestern state continues to grapple with the ongoing effects of a lead crisis linked to contaminated water in the city of Flint.

The Child Lead Poisoning Elimination Board, created in May by Michigan Gov. Rick Snyder, said that required screening for exposure to the toxic metal would help fill gaps in treatment and prevention that occur under the current targeted blood screening

recommendations.

"Because we are not screening all children, we don't know how big of a problem it is and we don't know where these [exposure] hot spots are," Dr. Mona Hanna-Attisha, director of the Pediatric Residency Program at Hurley Medical Center in Flint and a member of the board, said at a news conference.

The report recommends children be tested at the ages of 9 to 12 months and again at 24 to 36 months. This testing would help to identify high-risk areas that would then be subject to more comprehensive remediation efforts. REUTERS

Poll: Americans want Trump to focus on health care first

The poll shows what priorities Americans would set on the new president, but it does not measure exactly what people want him to do.

Health care is the top issue Americans want Donald Trump to address during his first 100 days in the White House, according to a Reuters/Ipsos poll released on Thursday, an apparent rebuke of outgoing President Barack Obama's signature reform, Obamacare.

Some 21 percent of Americans want Trump to focus on the health-care system when he enters the White House on Jan. 20, according to the Nov. 9-14 poll, conducted in the week after the Republican won the presi-

dential election.

Jobs took second place with 16 percent of Americans hoping it would be Trump's first agenda item, while immigration came third — picked by 14 percent of Americans, according to the poll. Some 11 percent picked race relations.

A separate Kaiser Health Tracking Poll found in late October that most Americans want cheaper prescription drugs and access to larger networks of doctors and hospitals. Only a minority, 37 percent, want to repeal Obamacare altogether and start over, as Trump has promised to do.

"We can't afford it — that's the problem," said Daphne Saunders, 50, of LaFollette, Tennessee, who took the Reuters/Ipsos poll, explaining why she picked health care as the top issue.

Saunders lost her

employer-subsidized insurance when she left a job at a university in 2011 and has been paying roughly \$300 per month since then for check-ups and prescription drugs to manage a heart condition and diabetes.

She said the cheapest Obamacare plan would cost her \$450 per month with a \$50 co-pay every time she saw a doctor.

"Those premiums should be more manageable," Saunders said. "I would expect to pay no more than \$100" per month.

Obama's 2010 Affordable Care Act has been credited with expanding coverage to as many as 25 million people. But the law has been weakened through various legal challenges. Some of the biggest health insurers have pulled out of insurance exchanges after losing money, and insurance

"Those premiums should be more manageable."
Saunders

premiums have increased for those who do not receive government insurance subsidies.

Obama said this week he would endorse a Trump plan if it improved the health-care system while insuring the same number of people.

The poll also found that Americans have mostly accepted the result of the Nov. 8 election, after one of the most divisive campaigns in memory. Some 85 percent said they accept the results as legitimate, and 63 percent said they would support the new president.

The 2016 campaign



Trump has promised to repeal Obamacare with "something that works," though he has not articulated what he would propose in its place. GETTY IMAGES

appears also to have mostly energized the public. Some 45 percent of Americans say they "feel more motivated" to vote in future elections, and 42 percent are more motivated to read and inform themselves about politics.

A majority of Americans still think the country is headed on the wrong track, however, and their expectations for a Trump presidency differed according to party membership.

Most Republicans were optimistic about his presidency, while most Democrats were pessimistic.

Overall, a plurality of Americans believe Trump will be helpful for businesses and corporations, military veterans, people who work in the manufacturing industry, the middle class and the elderly. A plurality also believes that he will be harmful for gays, women, blacks, Hispanics and people living in poverty. REUTERS

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Congress could undo Obama-era student loan relief

The new measures, which lay out loan relief procedures for the students, were issued by the Department of Education just days before the election.



Lamar Alexander, chairman of the Senate committee on education, GETTY IMAGES

The U.S. Congress could as soon as January start to dismantle President Barack Obama's transformation of student loan rules by blocking freshly minted regulations designed to help students who say they were defrauded by for-profit colleges.

The new measures are recent enough to allow the new Republican-led Congress to disapprove them under a 1996 law called the Congressional Review Act. It gives Congress 60 legislative days to reverse regulations with a simple vote.

Republicans opposed the rule when it was proposed. Lamar Alexander, who chairs the Senate committee on education, is considering introducing a resolution that would overturn the so-called "Borrower Defense" rule, according to a spokeswoman.

Even without a legislative reversal, president-elect Donald Trump, who ran on an anti-regulation platform and started his own for-profit school, could instruct agencies to be more restrictive in how

they interpret this rule and others aimed at easing student loan burdens.

Students who attended the now-defunct Trump University did not qualify for federal loans and are not eligible for loan relief. Trump is facing civil lawsuits alleging fraud related to the school.

After he was elected president, the stocks of for-profit education companies rose.

The borrower defense rule was inspired by the meltdown of Corinthian Colleges Inc. in 2015, according to Rohit Chopra, who worked on the Corinthian case at the Consumer Financial Protection Bureau and later moved to the Department of Education as a special adviser. In recent months, ITT Tech. Inc. has also folded, leaving students adrift.

By law, students at struggling technical and professional colleges are already allowed relief on federal loans, but the new rule creates a path for getting that relief. Students

can make a fraud claim to the Education Department and then apply for a refund of federal money they borrowed and then paid to the school.

It is the payment on a fraud complaint - sometimes made in the absence of any actual conviction - that rankles Republicans. They also dislike that the rule leaves students free to file class action suits against the schools, instead of arbitrating all disputes, said Neal McCluskey, who follows higher education at the Cato Institute, a libertarian think tank.

It is not clear how many students - or how much in loans - would be affected by the new rule. The Education Department says it has already approved \$250 million in relief to more than 15,000 applications from students who borrowed to attend Corinthian.

The projected 10-year federal government expenses associated with the rules total \$16 billion.

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Alito outlines possible conservative agenda for US Supreme Court

The Supreme Court Justice cited freedom of speech and a disruption of the Constitution's separation of powers caused by federal agencies expanding their authority at the expense of the U.S. Congress as other "constitutional fault lines" that could come before the court.

Justice Samuel Alito on Thursday laid out a possible agenda for the U.S. Supreme Court if it regains its conservative majority as expected after Donald Trump takes office, citing gun rights and religious freedom as among key issues it will tackle in the coming years.



Supreme Court Associate Justice Samuel Alito GETTY IMAGES

Speaking at a meeting of the Federalist Society, a group of conservative lawyers, Alito paid tribute to Antonin Scalia, the conservative justice who died in February. Senate Republicans, in an action with little precedent in U.S. history, refused to act on Democratic President Barack Obama's nominee to replace Scalia,

Merrick Garland, in the hope that a Republican would win the Nov. 8 presidential election and make the appointment.

Trump, a Republican who takes office on Jan. 20, is set to make the pick, which would restore a fifth conservative vote on the nine-seat court that currently is evenly split with four liberals and four conser-

"Freedom of religion is in even greater danger."

Alito

vatives.

On freedom of speech, Alito, appointed by Republican President George W. Bush in 2006, referred to college campus culture that conservatives say stifles free speech to avoid offending political sensibilities on matters such as gender, race and religion.

He also pointed to support among liberals to limit political spending. Democrats have condemned the Supreme Court's 2010 ruling, with Alito in the majority, that allowed

unlimited spending by corporations and unions in political advocacy. The Supreme Court has said political spending is a form of protected speech under the Constitution's First Amendment.

He cited a case the high court refused to hear in June as an example.

The justices turned away an appeal by a family-owned pharmacy that cited Christian beliefs in objecting to providing emergency contraceptives to women under a Washington state rule. Critics of that pharmacy objected to the family imposing its religious beliefs on customers.

In reference to gun rights, Alito mentioned Justice Stephen Breyer's dissent in the 2008 case District of Columbia

v. Heller, in which the court found an individual right to bear arms for self defense. Breyer's dissent, in which he argued that the Constitution's Second Amendment protects militia-related and not self-defense-related gun rights and it does not absolutely bar government action on guns, gave a "roadmap" to those who would seek to undermine the ruling, Alito said.

Alito also assailed federal agencies including the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency for seeking to expand their power beyond what was allowed under laws passed by Congress.

The Federalist Society meeting includes among its speakers nine of the 21 conservative jurists who Trump has said he would consider to fill Scalia's seat. REUTERS



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SpaceX seeks US approval for internet-via-satellite network

SpaceX's primary business is launching satellites into orbit for government and commercial customers. It also flies cargo supply ships to the International Space Station for NASA.

Private rocket launch service SpaceX is requesting government approval to operate a massive satellite network that would provide high-speed, global internet coverage, according to newly filed documents with the Federal Communications Commission.

The California-based company, owned and operated by technology entrepreneur Elon Musk, has proposed an orbiting digital communications array that would eventually consist of 4,425 satellites, the documents filed on Tuesday show.

The project, which Musk previously said would cost at least \$10 billion, was first announced in January 2015.

The latest documents,



Elon Musk GETTY IMAGES



A SpaceX rocket GETTY IMAGES

The system is designed to provide a wide range of broadband and communications services for residential, commercial, institutional, government and professional users worldwide.

SpaceX

which include technical details of the proposed network, did not mention cost estimates or financing plans.

Financial backers of the company, whose full name is Space Exploration Technologies Corp., include Alphabet's Google Inc. and Fidelity Investments, which together have contributed \$1 billion to

Musk's space launch firm.

The proposed SpaceX network would begin with the launch of about 800 satellites to expand internet access in the United States, including Puerto Rico and the U.S. Virgin Islands, the FCC filings showed.

"The system is designed to provide a wide range of broadband and com-

munications services for residential, commercial, institutional, government and professional users worldwide," SpaceX said in technical documents accompanying its filing.

Similar internet-via-satellite networks are under development by privately owned OneWeb and by Boeing Co.

Such a system would provide a space-based alternative to cable, fiber-optics and other terrestrial internet access currently available.

SpaceX did not say when its launches would occur.

The satellites would be launched into orbits ranging from 714 miles to 823 miles above Earth.

Each satellite, about the size of an average car, not including solar panels, would weigh 850 pounds, SpaceX said.

SpaceX rocket launches have been on hold since a Sept. 1 launch pad accident that destroyed a \$62 million Falcon 9 booster and a \$200 million Israeli communications satellite. The company hopes to resume flights next month.

REUTERS

BRIEF

Russia starts blocking LinkedIn website after court ruling

Russia's communications regulator ordered public access to LinkedIn's website to be blocked on Thursday to comply with a court ruling that found the social networking firm guilty of violating a data storage law.

LinkedIn, which has its headquarters in the United States, is the first major social network to be blocked by Russian authorities, setting a precedent for the way foreign internet firms operate. It has over 6 million registered users in Russia.

The Kremlin said that the

decision was legal and that President Vladimir Putin did not plan to interfere in the case.

When asked whether the move might stir fears of online censorship, Kremlin spokesman Dmitry Peskov said there were "no such concerns."

Critics see it as part of an attack on social networks in

a country which has increasingly tightened control over the internet.

Russian law requires websites that store the personal data of Russian citizens to do so on Russian servers, something communications regulator Roskomnadzor said LinkedIn had not done. REUTERS



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German minister says Facebook should be treated as a media company

Germany's justice minister says he believes Facebook Inc. should be treated like a media company rather than a technology platform, suggesting he favors moves to make social media groups criminally liable for failing to remove hate speech.

Under a program that runs until March, German authorities are monitoring how many racist posts reported by Facebook users are deleted within 24 hours.

Justice Minister Heiko Maas has pledged to take legislative measures if the results are still unsatisfactory by then.

Maas has said the European Union needs to decide whether platform companies should be treated like radio or television stations, which can be held accountable for the content they publish.

"In my view they should be treated as media even if they do not correspond to the media concept of television or radio," he said following a meeting of state justice ministers in Berlin.

Under current EU guidelines Facebook and other social media networks are not liable for any criminal content or hate posts hosted on their platform.

Instead, in May Facebook, Google's YouTube and Twitter signed the EU hate speech code,



German Justice Minister Heiko Maas GETTY IMAGES

In my view they should be treated as media even if they do not correspond to the media concept of television or radio.

Maas

vowing to fight racism and xenophobia by reviewing the majority of hate speech notifications within 24 hours. But the code is voluntary, not legally binding.

The state justice ministers meeting in Berlin called on the government to take swift action against hate speech on the internet.

"We need concrete legislative measures," said Hamburg's Justice Minister Till Steffen and pressed Maas to start work on a draft law so that measures could be passed before federal elections next year. REUTERS



Lucas Steele and Denee Benton in "Natasha, Pierre & the Great Comet of 1812" CHAD BATKA

The stars of "Natasha, Pierre and the Great Comet of 1812" on finding love in "War and Peace."



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"Natasha, Pierre and the Great Comet of 1812" has been evolving on the fringes of Broadway since 2012, but its debut at the Imperial Theatre has finally arrived. With a score that blends elements of rock musicals, Russian folk music and even a little opera (Josh Groban co-stars), the show tells the story of star-crossed love based on a slice of "War and Peace."

So far, so Broadway, but there's a unique intimacy to the show, too. The musical, set in Russia, begins with a round of pierogies for the audience, a portion of whom actually sit onstage; the actors also move through the aisles. But what's the story really about? We spoke to the musical's young lovers, Denee Benton (naive teen Natasha) and Lucas Steele (bad boy Anatole), to get to the heart of "Great Comet."

It's Natasha's first love, so her actions are painfully relatable to anyone at any time in history.

Denee Benton: Natasha feels that way about everything: She's that in love with the moon, with Andrey, with Anatole. I was definitely that 16-year-old (and I'm kind of that way now). Like: This is the best opera ever! This is the best flower ever!

Lucas Steele: I don't know that I had an experience this dramatic or filled with as much manipulation. But the thing about this that speaks to a lot of people is that it's kind of a soap opera.

Anatole is the other man — how do you address that challenge of creating compassion for him?

LS: His actions are rather despicable, but he's not conscious of them. He's not aware of anyone's feelings but his own. Having a wonderful co-star to fill every moment with this believable connection is important for this idea that he's not just in it to conquer something, he actually has feelings — though they're very misguided.

DB: I really like that about Tolstoy. Someone can ruin your whole life and you can still remember a time you laughed, and that's complicated. That's what's really great about this story.

Lucas, you've been with the show since the start, and Denee, you just joined in 2015. How did you create the chemistry necessary to propel the drama of the show?

DB: It was helpful to have people who knew the essence of the story so well. I got to bring my imagination, but the world was already carefully constructed, and I found that comforting because the role was challenging on its own.

LS: It helped that there are a lot of similarities between us. When I need to fall in love with somebody quickly, I find all of the things that I recognize as my own.

Perhaps that makes me a narcissist. [Laughs]

You're also working with Josh Groban, who's making his Broadway debut as Anatole's brother-in-law, Pierre.

LS: I am continuously surprised at how much of a regular guy he is and how he's willing to embrace this piece. It's a tricky thing with Anatole, because he's got two main relationships: There's the romance and the bromance. The bromance, unfortunately, is much less genuine and there's much more manipulation going on than there is with [Natasha]. I'm hard-pressed to think of any other person that's as known as he is, who actually has the skill set to pull off this role.

Denee, you stepped into a role originated by Phillipa Soo, who went on to star in "Hamilton." Was there added pressure?

DB: I was mostly comforted by the fact that someone my age had already successfully done it. Like: OK, it's possible. It helps that I was never made to feel like a second pick; I was embraced.

LS: Her coming in at this level, when it's so much larger than it was before, physically and the stamina that's required, she's faced it like a champ. And in no way to detract from anyone who came before, she's certainly come in at the most epic version of this production. And when it's one of your first jobs? It's incredible.

DB: Thank you. I call my mom crying a lot. [Laughs] But we've made it.



"In Transit" CRISTOBAL VIVAR

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When it comes to winter theater, NYC offers niche holiday fare with everything from singing Santas (at the "Christmas Spectacular") to naughty Nutcrackers (with risqué cabaret from Company XIV). But there are also plenty of traditional shows opening on and off-Broadway. Here are our top picks.

York family living in late 2016. The audience eavesdrops as they squabble, battle personal demons and discuss the presidential race. Nelson wrote each play in real time as the Clinton/Trump saga unfolded, leading right up to election night. *Dec. 10, 11, 14, 17, 18; publictheater.org*

demona. Only membership, benefit and lottery tickets are still available to this highly anticipated production, helmed by returning NYTW director and Tony Award winner Sam Gold. *Opens Dec. 12; nytw.org*

"Sunset Boulevard"

In a history-making production, Glenn Close returns to her Tony Award-winning role as Norma Desmond in the first Broadway revival of Andrew Lloyd Webber's "Sunset Boulevard." An adaptation of the 1950 film, the story follows a fading diva and the tragedy that ensues when her delusions of grandeur are propped up by an opportunistic hustler; its classic score includes "With One Look" and "As If We Never Said Goodbye."

Directed by Lonny Price, the musical will feature the largest orchestra on the Great White Way and is scheduled to run for just 16 weeks. Close is joined by co-stars from her West End appearance last April, including Michael Xavier (Joe Gillis). *Opens Feb. 9; sunsetboulevardthemusical.com*

"Dear Evan Hansen"

Written by hotshot composer and lyricist duo Benj Pasek and Justin Paul, "Dear Evan Hansen" was a smash hit when it debuted off-Broadway this year.

Part of its fast appeal is the timely nature of its message, which involves a high school's reaction to the death of a student — and what one unpopular teenager (Ben Platt of "Pitch Perfect") will do when he spots an unique opportunity to fit in. Like an episode of "Glee" with undertones of "Next to Normal," the new musical touches on topics like suicide, social anxiety and how communities grieve. *Opens Dec. 4; dearevanhansen.com*

"The Gabriels"

Maybe watching someone else's family discuss politics can give you some pointers for the holidays? Richard Nelson returns to the Public Theater with a three-play cycle about "The Gabriels," a New

"In Transit"

It was bound to happen: Broadway finally gets its first a cappella musical. "In Transit," as the name suggests, is an ode to New York City on the move, via the subway. While underground, 11 strangers find their lives interlocking in ways they couldn't have anticipated when they swiped their Metrocard at the turnstile. The upbeat score features vocal arrangements by Deke Sharon ("Pitch Perfect") and composition by Kristen Anderson-Lopez ("Frozen"). The musical is directed and choreographed by three-time Tony Award winner Kathleen Marshall. *Opens Dec. 11; intransitbroadway.com*

"Othello"

Best known as Britain's premier spy but no stranger to the New York stage, Daniel Craig heads uptown to take on one of Shakespeare's most notorious villains, Iago, in New York Theatre Workshop's "Othello." The title role is played by a formidable David Oyelowo ("Selma"), joined by Rachel Brosnahan ("House of Cards") as Des



"Sunset Boulevard" NICK WALL

Revolutionary spirit seizes the art world

This winter's essential exhibitions tackle political issues and social movements.

ALIZAH SALARIO

Art and activism have long made good bedfellows. This winter, however, the New York art scene is gearing up for full-scale revolution — at least on canvas and onscreen — as it tackles climate change, political upheaval, a metropolis in transition and more. These exhibitions offer hope that, in the words of Sam Cooke, a change is gonna come.

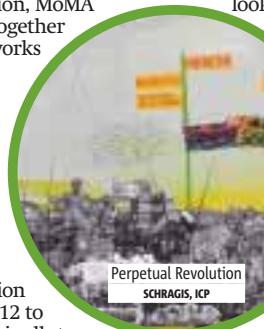
Adam Straus Retrospective: Two Exhibitions

In a career spanning over three decades, painter Adam Straus has come to be known for his lush, majestic depictions of nature and his concern for environmental issues. His dark humor illuminates how humans have altered the sublime natural world — consider his 1993 painting "McStop," in which the tiny golden arches of a McDonald's stick up from a pastoral landscape. Held at the

Nohra Haime Gallery, this exhibit features the artist's current and early work. Nov. 22-Dec. 24, 730 Fifth Ave., Seventh Floor

A Revolutionary Impulse: The Rise of the Russian Avant-Garde

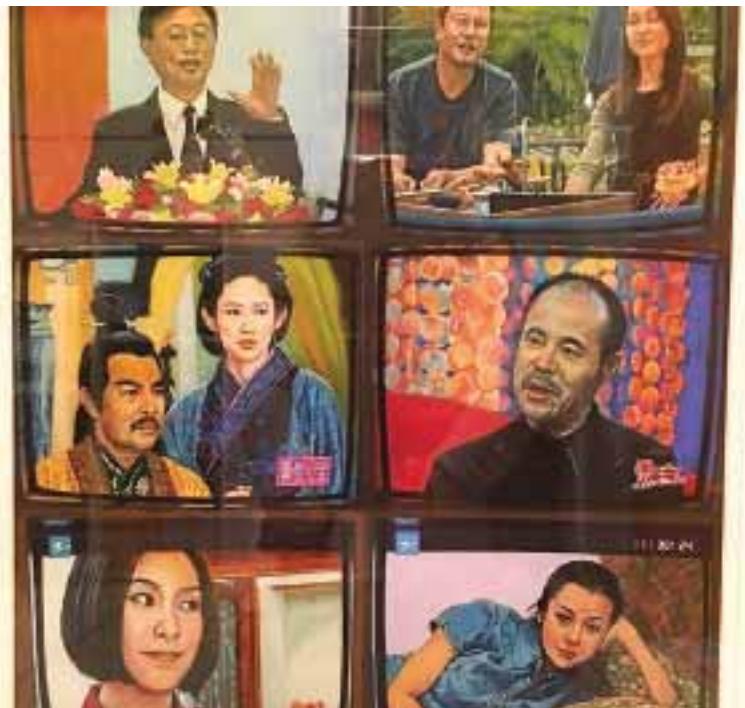
On the cusp of the centennial of the Russian Revolution, MoMA brings together major works from its collection to chronicle the period of Soviet avant-garde innovation from 1912 to 1934. This all-star exhibit includes the poetry, films and photo montages of legends like Vladimir Mayakovsky and Alexandra Exter, revealing how art can



function as a vehicle for transformation and change. Dec. 3-March 12, 2017, 11 W. 53 St.

Martin Scorsese

The man who brought us "Taxi Driver" and "Raging Bull" is getting a retrospective in his home borough. The Museum of the Moving Image is mounting an in-depth look at Martin Scorsese's life, work and love of New York over the auteur's half-century of transformative filmmaking, including production material from key films, childhood objects, behind-the-scenes images and a large selection of restored classics. Dec. 11-April 23, 2017, 36-01 35 Ave., Queens



"Lights, Camera, Action" (2007) by Doretta Miller, part of "Lights On," FIRST STREET GALLERY

Lights On

With the winter solstice fast approaching, "Lights On" is the perfect remedy for the darker days ahead. Held at Chelsea's iconic First Street Gallery, this group exhibition explores the nature of light and its key role in painting. Featuring the work of local artists including Matthew Dibble and Hank Feeley, the interplay between light and darkness offers

viewers a new perspective. Nov. 30-Dec. 17, 526 W. 26th St.

Perpetual Revolution: The Image and Social Change

The constant bombardment of images is altering our culture, our politics and our brains — but how? That's the question curators set

out to explore in this provocative exhibition at The International Center for Photography Museum. Focusing on five visual themes — gender fluidity, climate change, #BlackLivesMatter, terrorist propaganda and the refugee crisis — "Perpetual Revolution" explores how the mass production of images is stirring up political and technological change. Jan. 27-May 7, 2017, 250 Bowery

Must see: Annie Leibovitz's 'Women: New Portraits'

"This is not how we expected this week to turn out. But mark my words: This is still a celebration. A somber, sobering, emotional celebration. There is much to talk about."

Annie Leibovitz's opening remarks at a media preview of her new exhibition, "Women: New Portraits" are motivating for anyone demoralized by last week's election.

The free pop-up show featuring portraits of notable women, from Hillary Clinton to Malala Yousafzai and Katie Ledecky, makes the penultimate stop on its 10-city world tour in New York this Friday at Bayview Correctional Facility. It serves to usher in the building's transition from a former women's prison to The Women's Building, a hub of activism and engagement for women set

If you go

"Women: New Portraits"
Nov. 18-Dec. 11
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to open in 2017.

The show, which Leibovitz refers to as "a work in progress," has already adapted to reflect the changing sentiment of our post-election world.

A portrait of Hillary Clinton seated at her desk in a royal blue pantsuit, looking serene and determined, was only "folded into the sea of women" for this incarnation of the show, says Leibovitz. "I told my retoucher, 'Could you please sharpen that tile,'" Leibovitz says, referring to a plaque on



Annie Leibovitz, right, and Gloria Steinem at "Women: New Portraits."

CASEY KELBAUGH

Clinton's desk that reads "Never, never, never give up."

A projected slideshow that had displayed Queen Elizabeth II in prior shows on the world tour now cycles through photos the artist captured during the Clinton campaign — serving as a kind of "election

aftermath," Leibovitz explains.

Commissioned by the global financial services firm UBS, "Women: New Portraits" is a continuation of Leibovitz's 1999 series "Women," a collaboration with Susan Sontag that depicted female subjects both famous

and anonymous. (Images from that series are also on display in a slideshow at the exhibit.) Leibovitz's latest series focuses exclusively on high-profile women, meant to reflect their changing roles and depict "the whole human being."

Renowned feminist

Gloria Steinem helped compile the list of subjects, including Andréa Medina Rosas, a human rights lawyer in Mexico City who advocates for female survivors of sexual assault and violence along the U.S.-Mexico border. Leibovitz captures her at dawn in the desert at Campo Algodonero, "the place where women's bodies are dumped" in Ciudad Juarez. "We're trying to catch up with the imagery of women ... what do we look like now?" Leibovitz explains.

She plans to keep adding to the exhibit; a notecard with "J.K. Rowling" was tacked up on the wall. Free weekend photography workshops will be offered. "It's meant to look like it's still building," she says, "because it is, and we still are."

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Dangerous stories

The city's first-ever Arab Cinema Week kicks off today with films from eight countries across the Middle East.

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The Middle East has been in the headlines for decades, but it's rare that its people get to tell their own stories. New York City's first-ever Arab Cinema Week, kicking off today, is an opportunity to see works that explore not just the eight countries they span, but stories about our shared humanity.

"New York is a cosmopolitan city, and we want everyone to see these films," says Perihan AbouZeid, founder and CEO of Movie Pigs, a year-old New York-based on-demand video platform for Arab films, which organized the festival. "We mainly book films that have participated in film festivals and will reach a global audience, not just an Arabic one."

Among the lineup are high-profile titles like the Jon Stewart-associated "Tickling Giants," whose subject, Egyptian political humorist Bassem Youssef, will appear after the screening. Also appearing at the festi-



"As I Open My Eyes" reflects a whole generation's struggle with family and social pressures at the same time that the people of Tunisia are fighting for basic human freedoms. **LEYLA BOUZID**

tival is Tunisian actor Dhafer L'Abidine ("Children of Men," "Sex and the City 2"), who will be at the screening of his mother-daughter drama "As I Open My Eyes."

What Arab Cinema Week doesn't include are big-budget films. "The commercial ones are comedies, romances or ones with local stories others might not connect with," says AbouZeid. "Most of the Arab world's commercial film making is done in Egypt, where strict censorship developed since the 2011 revolution."

Though these films wrestle with the themes and cultural issues of their homelands,

AbouZeid chose ones with universally relatable stories at their core. They are also often told at great peril to their filmmakers, making Arab Cinema Week a showcase of some of the bravest artists of the region.

"Making a film in Syria or Yemen is very difficult and dangerous right now," AbouZeid says. "But filmmaking in the UAE and Saudi Arabia is getting easier. Morocco does an incredible job, but Egypt, Syria, Yemen and even Lebanon are getting more difficult. Palestine is very difficult for filmmakers."

There is one film that shows modern-day Arabic life away from the tragedy and brutality

If you go

Arab Cinema Week
Nov. 18-24
Cinema Village
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Free-\$100
arabcinemaweek.com

seen on the news: "The Idol" follows the singer who went on to win the "Arabic Idol" contest and became a big star.

"Though it had obvious commercial appeal, it's a story about hope," says AbouZeid. "Arab filmmakers give a taste of Arab culture and society, and this shows there is the capability to be hopeful and positive."



"Whose Country?" looks at how the relationship between Cairo's people and its police force has changed in a few short years since the revolution. **MOHAMED SIAM**



"The Taylor Swift Experience" ALL PHOTOS GETTY IMAGES

It may seem like she was born into stardom, but there's more to the "Taylor Swift Experience."

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At just 26 years old, Taylor Swift has already broken at least as many records as she's made. The pop superstar may seem like she was born famous, but what you'll find at "The Taylor Swift Experience," a museum-style exhibit

opening today at South Street Seaport, is the real story of how she got there.

"It's easy a fan or a visitor to walk through the door and think, 'Oh, Taylor Swift, she's a pretty girl, tall. Duh, of course she got a record deal.' No — in this exhibit, you get to see her journey," says curatorleen Gallagher.

What she was born into was music. The Swift family opened its vault of Taylor memorabilia (her mom was basically a co-curator) to fill the exhibit with items going all the way back to her childhood including footage of

a 1-year-old Taylor playing the piano and singing along with her grandmother, who was an opera singer. "You can see this girl was working at it, it's not just some overnight success and attributing it to social media."

The exhibit first opened in 2012 at the Grammy Museum in Los Angeles, and the response was so huge they're taking it on the road (appropriately). But Gallagher and her team were talking about an exhibit about her years before then, in 2008 when the museum originally opened (for



If you go

The Taylor Swift Experience
Nov. 18-Feb. 19, 2017
19 Fulton St.
\$9, grammymuseum.org

those keeping track, she was just 18 at the time.) "You can't ignore the fact of her success and the impact she's making, the records she's breaking," Gallagher says, nodding to Swift being the youngest performer to win two Album of the Year Grammys as just one example. "The thought behind this whole thing was to tell the story of a making of a modern superstar."

the exhibit first opened, plus new videos, awards show gowns, and a few other surprise items chosen specifically with an eye to New Yorkers.

And if you're feeling inspired to try your own hand at music, there will be a mixing station where you can create your own take on "Mean," go inside the "Blank Space" music video or just get down on a disco-style light-up dancefloor with a giant boombox playing — what else? — "Shake It Off."

Hardcore fans don't need convincing to check out the "Taylor Swift Experience," but even if you just know her as the blonde singer who likes to immortalize her breakups in songs, Gallagher says you'll walk away with new respect for the singer-songwriter-musician.

"You think you know Taylor Swift from what we've been invited to see about her life," she says. "This is a closer glimpse into what she's gone through. You can do nothing at the end but just appreciate and say, 'Wow, this girl has really worked her butt off.'"

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Eddie Redmayne is magic

The Oscar-winner talks about cutting loose with "Fantastic Beasts and Where to Find Them."



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Eddie Redmayne assumed he'd be a Manhattanite when he signed up for "Fantastic Beasts and Where to Find Them." The film, a prequel to the "Harry Potter" movies, with a script from J.K. Rowling herself, is set in the Big Apple circa the 1920s. "My wife and I were so excited when we read the script. We were like, 'We get to go to New York!' And then we're shooting in Watford," says the Oscar-winner, referring to a town just outside of London.

But making the film was still exciting. It meant the 34-year-old, known for very serious, demanding roles — "The Theory

of Everything," "The Danish Girl" — got to play a wand-wielding wizard: the noted Newt Scamander, famous in the books and movies for writing a textbook cataloguing strange and magical creatures. In the film, Newt journeys to New York, where he winds up trying to save the city from an evil wizard on the loose.

The unfailingly self-deprecating Redmayne talks to us about acting with puppets and his very poor memory.

With films like "Theory of Everything," you had to field really hard questions from journalists about science. But you've read the "Potter" books. Has it been easier doing press for this film?
I mean, I am so bad. My memory is the worst in the world. Any intense "Potter" questions I just deflect to Ezra [Miller, one of his co-stars]. There are these amazing wizard Wiki sites that you give

you all the information — or you can just talk to Ezra. He's not just one of the brainiest people I know but is also the greatest "Harry Potter" fan you've ever met.

Would you tend to just consult with him if you didn't know something "Potter"-wise?

I would genuinely consult him. There was one moment in the film early on where Newt is listening to [co-star] Samantha Morton giving a speech. She asks Newt, "Are you a seeker of truth?" I was supposed to say, "I'm more of a chaser" — completely missing that that's a hard-core quidditch reference. It took Ezra coming up to me saying, [slips into a spot-on Ezra Miller impersonation] "Isn't that greatest line you ever heard?" I was like, "Yeah! Why?!" [Laughs] It was good Ezra was there; he sort of salvaged my performance.

In this film you have another, very different challenge: You have to act with creatures, some of whom were puppets. You seem to have a different physical language with each of them.

Oh good! I'm pleased you noticed! [Laughs] That was really important to me. One of the last things we shot was that scene down in the case. [Ed. Newt has a suitcase a la "Mary Poppins" which, inside, is a huge realm where all the beasts live.] I thought if I didn't nail that, the whole film would feel like fluff, because it would take you out of it. You'd say, "Oh, I don't buy that." So it was really important that it was grounded in something real, as magical and wonderful as it was. We worked quite hard on each relationship.

Did you have any other unusual challenges you don't normally get when making serious dramas?
There was the Erumpent

dance [with a rhino-esque creature], which was a mating dance. That was kind of odd.

How did you come up with that dance you do?

That was a few days of personal humiliation — going down a YouTube hole for animal mating rituals, and then ignoring all of them and coming up with something that was absurd. I'd send the director some ideas and spend an excruciating four hours waiting for a response — one of which, I remember, being, "I'm not sure that's seductive enough." So thank God I added a bit more sex to my seduction dance.



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Casey Affleck plays an unhappy man dealing with the death of his brother (Kyle Chandler) in Kenneth Lonergan's "Manchester by the Sea." CLAIRE FOLGER

"Manchester by the Sea"

Director: Kenneth Lonergan
Stars: Casey Affleck, Lucas Hedges
Rating: R



"Manchester by the Sea" is one of saddest, most unflinchingly honest films ever made about death. It's also a serious contender for the year's laugh riot. This shouldn't make sense. But the latest from Kenneth Lonergan ("You Can Count on Me," "Margaret") pulls off the impossible. It's a film with as

many insights as gut-busting laughs. But it's no comedy, and the laughs aren't mere respites from the pain. It's a film about people mired in grief and guilt trying to distract themselves so they don't have to "go there." Because "going there" is too horrible to imagine.

Casey Affleck plays Lee, a vaguely depressed fix-it man in Boston whose unhappy life is upended by the death of his brother (Kyle Chandler). That means returning to the North Shore hometown he years ago escaped. There, he has to deal with headaches small

(paperwork, calls to funeral homes) and big, including his now orphaned nephew (Lucas Hedges) and an ex-wife (Michelle Williams) he hasn't seen in years, for reasons that will become painfully, painfully clear midfilm.

Lonergan moved to film from theater, but he thinks about film as someone trying to expand the medium, toying with radical ways of presenting the messiness of lives and emotions. He peppers "Manchester by the Sea" with flashbacks that sprout up like horrible memories. Perhaps more radically, he

plays with tone. The people of Manchester-by-the-Sea, Mass., are hilariously tetchy, always quick to pounce on each other, overreact, respond to earnest pleas with withering one-liners. The untold funny moments don't detract from the film's hard truths: that we never really get over the death of loved ones, that the dead live, in a way, among the living. You may spend "Manchester by the Sea" fighting through honestly-earned tears, or you may spend most of it suppressing belly laughs. Hopefully, and amazingly, you'll do both. MATT PRIGGE



Miles Teller suffers for his art

In "Bleed for This," in theaters today, Miles Teller trained hard to play real-life four-time world champion boxer Vinny Paz. **SEACIA PAVAO**

For "Bleed for This," he had to learn how to box as well as play someone with a broken neck.



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For "Whiplash," Miles Teller learned to play the drums. He did double time for "Bleed for This." The tale of Vinny Paz, a boxer from Rhode Island who trained himself back to fighting strength after breaking his neck, it required him to not only learn boxing but to spend half the movie with a heavy "halo" propping up his head.

On this film, you're not just boxing but spending half the movie with a crazy thing on your head called a "halo." The halo was something I knew was going to happen, but I didn't know what it was going to be until I put it on. When I first put it on, we noticed it would



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move around a little bit. You can't have that, because if it moves people realize it's not screwed into your head and the whole thing falls apart. We had to really press these screws with rubber pieces up against my head and keep it in there like a vise — keep a lot of pressure on it so it didn't move. It was very painful. You're in that thing for 12 hours a day, your spine's compacted and you have a lack of mobility and range of motion. It was pretty uncomfortable.

Sports are huge in this country. Were you really into it as a kid?

Before I was in Florida I was living in South Jersey. That's why I'm such a big Philly sports fan. Sports in the northeast just has a different energy. It's everything. You go to a bar and any random person you talk to, they're going to talk about sports.

Philadelphia sports fans are quite passionate, to put it mildly. Do you have any crazy Philly sports fan memories?

I mean, I never saw anyone get arrested, but I've certainly seen fans of the other team not get treated well. [Laughs]

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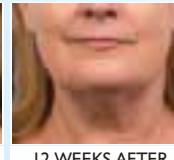
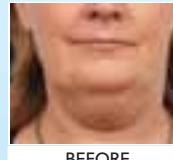
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"Fantastic Beasts and Where to Find Them"

Director: David Yates

Stars: Eddie Redmayne, Katherine Waterston

Rating: PG-13



As it began its descent, the "Harry Potter" movie franchise got a bit too much for any muggles in the audience. If you didn't read the books, you might have gotten lost as it got tied up in an unholly knot, struggling to figure out what a "horcrux" was, why our young heroes were pursuing them and what they had to do with stopping a bad guy who had no nose.

In short, the films became a convoluted drag. "Fantastic Beasts and Where to Find Them," a prequel of sorts set in 1920s New York, isn't always a smooth ride. With a script penned by J.K. Rowling herself, it can be narratively clumsy, stumbling over itself to start what, at heart,



Eddie Redmayne plays a wizard nerd in the "Harry Potter" spin-off/prequel "Fantastic Beasts and Where to Find Them."

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is a relatively simple tale. But it's generally an opportunity to clear the throat and start anew with a new bevy of characters and, best of all, an unending stream of strange and delightful creatures.

Throwing us into a Wayback Machine, it introduces us to an earlier day of wizarding, to lore only alluded to in the original books. We meet, for one, the noted Newt Scamander (Eddie Redmayne), a powerfully dorky, borderline-Asperger's wizard who doubles as a taxidermist

and protector of the world's crazy and sometimes cuddly creatures. He's arrived in Prohibition-era Manhattan for some thin and half-understandable mission, but he gets himself involved in a plot straight out of a Marvel movie: Some powerful being must be destroyed lest it destroy poor, always destroyed New York.

Rowling's world is charming, even smartly insightful about our own. And the characters/actors are charming, too. Newt, a pair

of witches (Katherine Waterston and Alison Sudol) and a baker/muggle (Dan Fogler) along for the ride don't have the instant iconism of the original "Harry Potter" trio. But they carry us through a movie that's at its best when it's bustling through weird worlds or gifting us with oddball monsters. If an undying "Fantastic Beasts" deluge is indeed upon us, that at least means more of Redmayne arching his neck as though it was glued to his shoulder.

MATT PRIGGE

"The Edge of Seventeen"

Director: Kelly Fremon Craig

Stars: Hailee Steinfeld, Woody Harrelson

Rating: R



Now might not sound like a great time for a movie about a more-or-less privileged teenager fuming over nonsense teenage problems. But at least in temperament, Hailee Steinfeld's Nadine is our spirit animal. The hero of "The Edge of Seventeen" is a titanic depresso, detached and scornful of the suburban merriment all around her. The only predicaments she will get into involve a) attempting to shed her virginity and b) being nonplussed, to put it mildly, when her bestie (Haley Lu Richardson) starts dating her dreaded older brother (Blake Jenner). Still, ignore that her disdain is only



Not only is Hailee Steinfeld great in the teen comedy "The Edge of Seventeen," but it's the kind of high school movie where Woody Harrelson plays the not-so-inspirational teacher.

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reserved for the tiny bubble of her home and high school; she's the angry, unhappy, whip-smart loner we need right now.

"The Edge of Seventeen" is the too-rare grouchy high school comedy, the kind where the token (not so) inspirational teacher is played by Woody Harrelson. Nadine's problems are silly, and the film knows it. But it understands it. Though he only

produced it, "Seventeen" is very much in keeping with the work of James L. Brooks, whose films (best of all, "Broadcast News") and shows (best of all, "The Simpsons") traffic in characters who aren't always likable, who use razor-sharp, sometimes loopy wit to deal with pain, who have arcs that seem traditional but are powerfully messy and raw. They're also always funny,

perched somewhere between an unflinchingly honest drama and a live-action cartoon, sometimes veering one way, sometimes another.

And so Nadine is a hot mess throughout, whether it's picking fights with her harried mom (Kyra Sedgwick), firing off an ill-advised knockoff-Facebook message to her terrible crush or stewing in her own misery with lines like "I have to spend the rest of my life with myself." She learns lessons, but they tend to be about accepting that life is terrible or that adults haven't figured life out, either. There's a happy ending, but it's not just about the world coming back to order. It's about someone realizing that life is a shambles, that expectations must be dialed down, that happiness comes when you're honest with the world. Right now, a week after the election, it seems like it could be the best teen movie ever. MP

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3 Things to watch for as Giants host the Bears at MetLife Stadium

Eli Manning has been highly impressive since the Giants' O-line has stepped up.



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It has been quite a month for the New York Giants, who have worked themselves into a playoff spot following four straight wins to elevate their record to 6-3. Now as they host the struggling Chicago Bears on Sunday (1 p.m., FOX), the Giants have a legitimate chance to extend their unbeaten run. And should they get a win over the Bears, the Giants will have eclipsed their win total from the past two years. Imagine that.

The Bears won't be an easy out, despite being hammered last week by the Tampa Bay Buccaneers. They have struggled on offense this season but their defense, in particular their pass rush, has been relatively strong.



Eli Manning and the Giants will shoot for their fifth straight victory on Sunday. GETTY IMAGES

1 The Bears defense

Listen, this unit isn't going to be compared to Mike Ditka's '85 Bears anytime soon, but the bright spot for Chicago this year has been its defense as a whole. The Bears are 10th in the NFL in yards allowed and eighth in getting to

the quarterback with 24 sacks. Given the Giants' struggles this season along the offensive line, it is a matchup worth noting — although Big Blue did a nice job this past Monday night in protecting quarterback Eli Manning and opening some running lanes for Rashad Jennings.

And while the Giants

offense has improved in recent weeks, let's not act like they are world beaters quite yet.

2 Eli turning a corner

Remember all that talk five weeks ago about Eli Manning being on the downside of his career and how he was washed

up? Well, it hasn't been a perfect season for the Giants quarterback, but as the play of the offensive line has improved, so too has Manning's performances (imagine that!).

Since the Giants last lost on Oct. 9, Manning has 10 touchdowns and six interceptions with 1,096 passing yards. The number could have been

much higher but for a few key drops over the past four games. Manning is back although he still needs to cut down on the interceptions.

3 Bears are offensive

Coming into the season, it was thought that the Bears' strength might just be their offense. Given that they have a veteran in Jay Cutler, coupled with wide receiver Alshon Jeffery — conventional wisdom held that they could put up some points. But Jeffery was suspended this week for four games and the Bears are down their leading wide receiver.

This is bad news, very bad news, for a team that comes into this week second from the bottom in scoring. And after Jeffery, there isn't much left in the wide receivers room.

"That hurts. Any time you take out your No. 1 receiver, especially for a certain period of time, it's going to make things a little bit difficult for us,"

Cutler said. "We like our receiver room and they know they all have to step up now."

Giants' Gould seeking some revenge

After being with the Chicago Bears since 2005, kicker Robbie Gould was a surprise cut by the team on the eve of what would have been his 12th season in the Windy City. Now with the New York Giants, Gould is set to face his old team, his September release was perhaps a blessing given the state of things in Chicago.

Gould has been solid for the Giants this year, not a major surprise given his steady kicking last season with the Bears where he made 33-of-39 field goal attempts and missed just one of his 29 point-after attempts. His release by the Bears was not expected, especially since by all accounts he acclimated well in the locker room and was still kicking at a high

level. But when the Giants were forced to release Josh Brown several weeks ago following new revelations about domestic violence, the door opened for Gould to come to New York.

Now his Giants team is 6-3 and hosts the 2-7 Bears on Sunday afternoon. Gould spoke about hopefully making the playoffs with his new team, something that would be a reach to say were his still with the Bears.

The decision to cut him came out of left field.

"Yeah, I didn't see it coming. Obviously, they cut me at nine o'clock at night on Sunday right before the first week, we never had conversations about that," Gould told reporters on Wednesday. "I

was preparing to play the Houston Texans, but they made a decision that my performance wasn't what they were looking for, and those are decisions that organizations get to make. So for me, I am just excited to be in this locker room with a great group of guys, getting a chance to do what I love to do and do it to the best of my abilities and help the team win."

With the Giants he's made his lone field goal attempt, a 29-yard attempt in London against the Los Angeles Rams in Week 7 and he's also converted all nine extra point attempts. There are concerns about his leg strength on kickoffs — the Bengals returned all four kickoffs on Monday night — but he's been

solid in the wake of Brown's release.

John Fox, on a conference call with the New York media, said cutting Gould was not an easy decision. The longtime Bear was diplomatic in his response to his head coach and certainly doesn't openly harbor a grudge.

"He is a great coach," Gould said. "Obviously he has a long list of wins under his belt. He has coached teams to Super Bowls. There are tough decisions that get made all the time and they made decisions that they had to make to make their team better, and it is just something that they did. I am not mad about it. I am not upset about it.

"I had a great run there, and I hope we



Robbie Gould will be looking for payback. GETTY IMAGES

have a better run here Sunday than they do and realistically, I was talking to Coach McAdoo at practice, what do I have to be upset about? I got to play with one team for 11 years with a lot of great teammates, with a lot of good memories and they

made a decision. I am really happy here, I love being a Giant, I love being in the Giants organization and I have a lot of respect for the guys that are going to be across from me playing, so hopefully we come out with a win."

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Where to place your money this weekend

The best bets for NFL Week 11.

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A look at the best bets around the league for Week 11.

Jacksonville Jaguars at Detroit Lions (-6.5)

The Jaguars are in a need of a confidence-booster after two tough losses in a row in which they out-gained their opponents, but the Jags drew a daunting and reposed Lions squad for this Sunday's game. Detroit is 4-0 in its last four games off a bye week, covering the spread in each of those contests. Jacksonville's carelessness with the football (minus-14 turnover ratio, worst in the NFL) is one of the reasons it's sitting at 2-7. The Jags have also had difficulty scoring this year, mustering less than 20



Expect Derek Carr and the Raiders to cover the spread against Houston. GETTY IMAGES

PPG. And the stingy Lions' defense won't make their lives easy; they've allowed less than 18 PPG in their last three games.

Traveling to hostile territory will also hurt the Jaguars' chances at snapping their four-game skid, as the Lions are 3-1 at home this year and 4-1 ATS in their last five at Ford Field. Matt Stafford might have some trouble with Jacksonville's fifth-ranked pass stoppers, but RB Theo Riddick has

emerged as a reliable all-purpose option (209 yards) despite some testing matchups with the Texans and Vikings in successive games. Expect the Lions to take this game easily and keep themselves in the hunt in the NFC North.

The pick: Lions -6.5

Miami Dolphins (-1.5) at Los Angeles Rams

Winners of four straight, including an upset

victory in San Diego last week, the Dolphins travel up the California coast for another winnable game against the LA Rams. The 31 points Miami notched in Week 10 is a higher total than the Rams have put up in their last three games combined (29). Jared Goff takes over at quarterback now, but there doesn't seem to be an air of confidence about him around the league.

The pick: Dolphins -1.5

Houston Texans at Oakland Raiders (-5.5)

Division leaders clash in Mexico City on Monday night, but this game should be fairly one-sided. The Texans will get a heavy dose of Latavius Murray, who went off on the Broncos defense last Sunday to the tune of 114 yards and three TDs on 20 carries. Houston's had trouble stopping the run this season, surrendering over 120 YPG on the ground.

The Raiders' once-porous defense has shored up lately, as they've allowed just over 300 YPG in their last three games (all wins). By contrast, the Texans are third-worst in the league in total offense.

Houston's 6-3 record is inflated as it is 3-0 against AFC South teams. The Texans are just 3-3 out of division this year, including a ghastly 0-3 mark on the road in non-division games.

The pick: Raiders -5.5

Best of the rest

- Tennessee Titans @ Indianapolis Colts (-3)
- Arizona Cardinals @ Minnesota Vikings (E)
- Baltimore Ravens @ Dallas Cowboys (-7)
- Buffalo Bills @ Cincinnati Bengals (-2.5)
- Chicago Bears @ New York Giants (-7.5)
- Pittsburgh Steelers (-8) @ Cleveland Browns
- Tampa Bay Buccaneers @ Kansas City Chiefs (-7.5)
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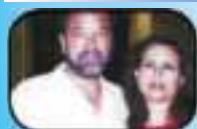
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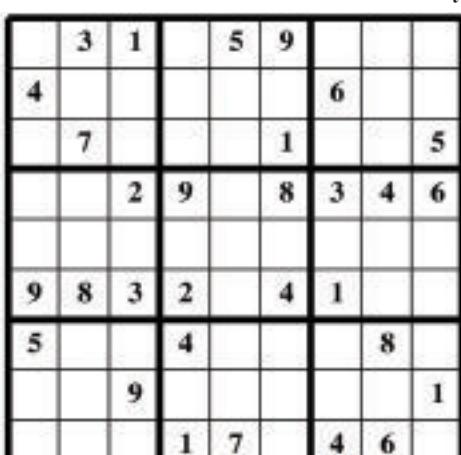
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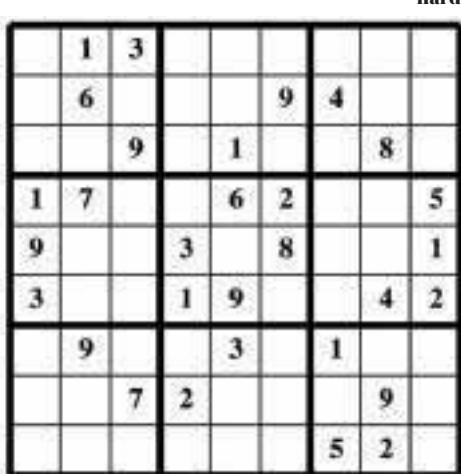
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Aries You need to gather information and take action based on facts, not on emotions. If you jump into something too quickly, you will end up being disappointed.



Taurus Focus on personal partnerships and what you can do to improve your relationships. An act of kindness will make you feel good as well as boost your reputation.



Gemini Build a strong alliance with someone you know through work. The benefit of having someone on your side will come in handy.



Cancer Impulse buying or emotional spending should be reined in today. Accumulating debt will cause distress at home or with a partner. Avoid joint ventures.



Leo Your friendly demeanor will attract followers. Discuss your plans with a partner you want to explore new opportunities with. Embrace a challenge and play to win.



Virgo Partnerships can be magical if you are willing to compromise when it comes to formulating ideas and plans. If you work in harmony, what evolves will be spectacular.



Libra Take good care of your health and aim to make improvements to your appearance and overall demeanor. Don't let stress and emotional fatigue take control.



Scorpio It's an opportune time to negotiate. You can come out on top with a little ingenuity and foresight. Making home improvements will pay off.



Sagittarius Make changes for the right reason. If you are honest about what you want, you will get the support necessary to head in a direction that best suits your needs.



Capricorn Make a difference by putting some of your ideas into play. Don't feel that you have to stick to tradition. Mix the old with the new and see what happens.



Aquarius Don't wait for change to come to you when you can make it happen yourself. Your strength will come from your ability to see situations differently.



Pisces An unexpected gain is heading in your direction. Consider the circumstances that develop and make the most out of what transpires. **EUGENIA LAST**

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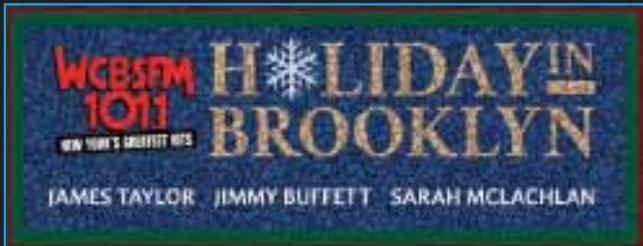


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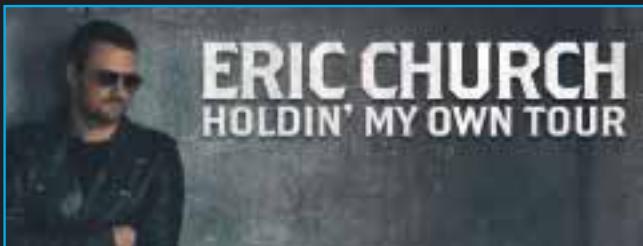
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